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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 29, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the specification are set forth on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the claims are reflected in this listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper;

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include the attached new sheets of drawings; and

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.